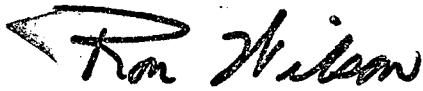


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H.B. No. 1572

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the regulation of certain combative sports.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 2052.253, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2052.253. GENERAL RULES [KICKBOXING]. (a) A professional combative sport [~~kickboxing~~] event must be fought on the basis of the contestants' best efforts.

(b) A contestant must wear four-ounce boxing gloves, unless the commissioner by rule requires or permits a contestant to wear heavier gloves.

(c) A contestant may deliver blows with a closed-fist to any part of the body, except the kidneys and the spine. A closed-fist may not be used to deliver blows to the head if one or both of the contestants is on the ground.

(d) A contestant may deliver blows with the knee to any part of the body except the kidneys, spine, and head.

(e) Subsections (c) and (d) do not prohibit a person from adopting rules that prohibit the use of a blow permitted by those subsections in a particular competition of a combative sport.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

1 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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Read first time and referred to Committee on Licensing & Administrative Procedures

Reported favorably (as amended)
(as substituted)

Sent to Committee on (Calendars)
(Local & Consent Calendars)

Read second time (comm. subst.) (amended); passed to third reading (failed) by a (non-record vote)
(record vote of yeas, nays, present, not voting)

Constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days suspended (failed to suspend)
by a vote of yeas, nays, present, not voting

Read third time (amended); finally passed (failed to pass) by a (non-record vote)
(record vote of yeas, nays, present, not voting)

Engrossed

Sent to Senate

CHIEF CLERK OF THE HOUSE

OTHER HOUSE ACTION:

Received from the House

Read and referred to Committee on _____

Reported favorably _____

Reported adversely, with favorable Committee Substitute; Committee Substitute read first time

Ordered not printed

Laid before the Senate

Senate and Constitutional Rules to permit consideration suspended by (unanimous consent)
(yeas, nays)

Read second time, _____, and passed to third reading by (unanimous consent)
(a viva voce vote)
(yeas, nays)

Senate and Constitutional 3 Day Rules suspended by a vote of yeas, nays

Read third time, _____, and passed by (a viva voce vote)
(yeas, nays)

Returned to the House

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

OTHER SENATE ACTION:

_____ Returned from the Senate (as substituted)
(with amendments)

_____ House concurred in Senate amendments by a (non-record vote)
(record vote of _____ yeas, _____ nays, _____ present, not voting)

_____ House refused to concur in Senate amendments and requested the appointment of a conference committee
by a (non-record vote) (record vote of _____ yeas, _____ nays, _____ present, not voting)

_____ House conferees appointed: _____, Chair; _____,
_____, _____, _____

_____ Senate granted House request. Senate conferees appointed: _____, Chair;
_____, _____, _____, _____

_____ Conference committee report adopted (rejected) by the House by a (non-record vote)
(record vote of _____ yeas, _____ nays, _____ present, not voting)

_____ Conference committee report adopted (rejected) by the Senate by a (viva voce vote)
(record vote of _____ yeas, _____ nays)